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20 APRIL 1861 SUNRISE SERVICE CENTENNIAL


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In this Church on April 20th, 1861,
a Sunrise Service was held for
the Warren Rifles and the Warren
Guards, after which they left
immediately for active Service . . .
Emmanuel Episcopal Church,
Warrenton, North Carolina,
welcomes all who join with us in
Commemoration of this Service,
Saturday, April 22nd, 1961, and
Sunday, April 23rd, 1961. » » » »



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*“The colors are far apart,
Graves sever them in twain;
The Northern heart and the Southern heart
May beat in peace again.”*

Father Ryan

SPECIAL NOTICES

After the conclusion of the sunrise service, a breakfast will be served in the Parish House. Everyone is cordially invited.

After the breakfast, a parishioner will be in the church to tell the visitors about this historic church.

Mr. Dixon Ward has collected an exhibit of relics and manuscripts pertaining to the Civil War. This exhibit will be displayed in the Parish House following the service Saturday morning.

There is an exhibit of books pertaining to the Civil War, and a munitions chest, found at Camp Beauregard, at the Warren County Memorial Library.

Wreaths have been placed on the two Confederate Monuments by the United Daughters of the Confederacy.

A wreath has been placed on the grave of Annie Carter Lee by the Children of the Confederacy.

There will be a Pageant of Flags in the Parish House Saturday, April 22nd, at 4:00 P. M.

The hymns used in the services on Saturday and Sunday were the favorite hymns sung by the soldiers in camp and field. These hymns were much endeared to the soldiers because of their associations with home and childhood. The congregation is asked to join heartily in singing these hymns.

HISTORICAL NOTES

Immediately after the Sunrise Service the Warren Rifles, under the command of Captain T. L. Jones, left for Fort Macon; and the Warren Guards, under the command of Captain B. O. Wade, left for the hastily organized Camp of Instruction at Raleigh.

Mrs. Robert E. Lee and her daughters were refugees in Warren County. They were guests at Jones' White Sulphur Springs, and it was while there in 1862 that Annie Carter Lee died. She is buried in the Jones family cemetery about eight miles south off Highway 401. The bed on which Annie Carter Lee died is in the home of Mrs. Elizabeth Hunter Weston on Bragg Street.

The home of General Braxton Bragg on Bragg Street is now owned by Mrs. Ivey Allen.

The home of Mr. John White, who was Commissioner of the State of North Carolina in England where he sold bonds and bought ships and supplies during the Civil War and who ran the blockade on the ADVANCE, is located at the corner of Halifax Street and Eaton Avenue. The name of the place was "Ingleside". In 1870 General Robert E. Lee with his daughter, Agnes, visited Mr. White in this home when he came to Warren County to see the grave of his daughter, Annie Carter.

The home of William Eaton, Jr., vestryman, Trustee of the University of North Carolina, Attorney General of North Carolina and author of "Eaton's Book of Forms" is now owned by Miss Mary Russell Burroughs and stands at the end of Eaton Avenue.

There is an historical marker about two miles south of Warrenton on Highway 401 that indicates the place where Generals Matt and Robert Ransom were born.

PAGEANT, FLAGS OF AMERICA

Sponsored by the Warren County Chapter Children of the Confederacy in the Parish House, Saturday, April 22nd, at 4 o'clock.
MRS. HENRY F. TWITTY, *Director*

THE CAMBRIDGE FLAG, *Grand Union Flag of January 1, 1776.*

THE SPIRIT OF '76, *Bennington Flag.*

THE BETSY ROSS FLAG, *First official Stars and Stripes, June 14, 1777.*

THE FORT McHENRY FLAG, *May 1, 1795.*

THE FLAG OF 1818, *Congressional Resolution of April 4, 1818.*

THE BONNIE BLUE FLAG, *Flag of Secession.*

THE STARS AND BARS, *First Confederate Flag - March 4, 1861, designed by Major Orren Randolph Smith, native of Warren County, North Carolina.*

THE FIRST OFFICIAL NORTH CAROLINA FLAG, *June 22, 1861.*

THE CONFEDERATE BATTLE FLAG, *September 1861.*

THE STAINLESS BANNER, *Second Confederate Flag - May 1, 1863.*

LAST FLAG OF THE CONFEDERACY, *adopted in 1865 but never used.*

PRESENT NORTH CAROLINA FLAG. *ratified March 9, 1885.*

UNITED STATES FLAG, *adopted October 20, 1912.*

UNITED STATES FLAG, *adopted 1959 after admission of Alaska.*

UNITED STATES FLAG, *adopted 1960 after admission of Hawaii.*

Confederate Soldier, Union Soldier, Present American Soldier.

Retiring of colors

THE MINISTERS OF THE COMMEMORATION

DR. MOULTRIE GUERRY, D. D.

Dr. Moultrie Guerry's life has been closely associated with Sewanee. His father, Right Reverend William Alexander Guerry, was chaplain at Sewanee when he was elected Bishop of South Carolina. Although the family moved to Charleston, they retained their summer home at Sewanee.

After Dr. Moultrie Guerry received his B. A. degree at Sewanee, he taught English at the College of Charleston. He received his B. D. degree at the Virginia Theological Seminary and was awarded his D. D. degree from the same seminary. He was in charge of missions in South Carolina before going to Sewanee in 1929 as professor of Religious Literature.

In 1938 Dr. Guerry became rector of Old Saint Paul's, Norfolk, Virginia. He left Old Saint Paul's in 1957 to become associated again with his teaching and writing. He is now chaplain of Saint Mary's Junior College, Raleigh, North Carolina.

Dr. Guerry wrote the book, "Men Who Made Sewanee." One chapter is on James Hervey Otey who was a vestryman of Emmanuel Episcopal Church, Warrenton, North Carolina, before going to Tennessee where he was later made Bishop of that Diocese.

THE REV. CANON EDWARD W. BAXTER

As a young man of seventeen, Edward W. Baxter left England and came to Pennsylvania. From there he went to the West Indies, and thence to Canada. He studied for the ministry at Trinity College, Toronto, and the Anglican College of British Columbia. While he was in British Columbia, his childhood sweetheart, Dorothy Beddoe, came over from England, and they were married.

In 1918 Mr. Baxter accepted a temporary call to Emmanuel Church, Warrenton, which was soon made permanent. During the flu epidemic of 1918, he worked day and night visiting and comforting the sick.

In 1922 he went to Saint Timothy's, Wilson, and after seven years there he went to the church of the Ascension, Frankfort, Kentucky. He is an Honorary Canon of the Cathedral Shrine of Saint George the Martyr. While in the Diocese of Lexington, he contributed "The Parson's Paragraph" to the Diocesan paper and had his own radio broadcast.

In 1956 Canon and Mrs. Baxter came to Warrenton to live among his people with whom he had shared his early rectorship.

SATURDAY, THE TWENTY-SECOND OF APRIL, NINETEEN HUNDRED AND SIXTY-ONE

Seven O'clock Morning Prayer

The Congregation is asked to join heartily in all musical portions of the Service that are found in the Hymnal, and in all spoken responses and Amens.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN 335	<i>Coronation</i>
THE VENITE - PRAYER BOOK page 9	<i>Chant 607</i>
PSALM 148 - PRAYER BOOK page 524	
FIRST LESSON - ECCLESIASTES 44: 1-15	
BENEDICTUS ES DOMINE - PRAYER BOOK page 11	<i>Chant 623</i>
SECOND LESSON - HEBREWS 11: 32-12: 2	
JUBILATE DEO - PRAYER BOOK page 15	<i>Chant 646</i>
THE APOSTLES CREED - PRAYER BOOK page 15	
COLLECT FOR THE DAY - PRAYER BOOK page 171	
COLLECTS FOR PEACE AND GRACE - PRAYER BOOK page 17	
MEMORIAL DAY PRAYER - PRAYER BOOK page 42	
FOR OUR COUNTRY - PRAYER BOOK page 36	
SERMON HYMN 337	<i>Rockingham</i>
SERMON BY THE REV. MOULTRIE GUERRY, D. D.	
OFFERTORY - "O Valiant Hearts"	<i>Birmingham</i>
CLOSING PRAYER AND BENEDICTION	
RECESSIONAL HYMN 564	<i>Lyons</i>

The offering today will be used for a memorial to the Warren Rifles and the Warren Guards.



THE ALTAR FLOWERS for the services on Saturday and Sunday are to the glory of God and in loving memory of the Warren Guards and the Warren Rifles.

ACOLYTES: Thomas Manning Holt, James Richard Williams, William Henry Twitty, great great grandsons of John White; James Payne Beckwith, Jr., great great great grandson of John White.

USHERS: Laurie B. Beddoe, Chairman; William Boyce, James E. Cheves, Alban C. Fair, Clarence P. Gaston.

SUNDAY, THE TWENTY-THIRD OF APRIL, NINETEEN HUNDRED AND SIXTY-ONE

Eleven O'clock Morning Prayer

The Congregation is asked to join heartily in all musical portions of the Service that are found in the Hymnal, and in all spoken responses and Amens.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN 335	<i>Coronation</i>
GENERAL CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION - PRAYER BOOK pages 6 & 7	
THE VENITE - PRAYER BOOK page 9	<i>Chant 607</i>
PSALM 47 - PRAYER BOOK page 398	
FIRST LESSON - ISAIAH 25: 1-9 & 26: 1-4	
BENEDICTUS ES DOMINE - PRAYER BOOK page 11	<i>Chant 623</i>
SECOND LESSON - HEBREWS 11: 8-16 & 12: 28	
JUBILATE DEO - PRAYER BOOK page 15	<i>Chant 646</i>
THE APOSTLES CREED - PRAYER BOOK page 15	
COLLECT FOR THE DAY - PRAYER BOOK page 171	
COLLECTS FOR PEACE AND GRACE - PRAYER BOOK page 17	
SERMON HYMN 337	<i>Rockingham</i>
SERMON BY THE REV. CANON E. W. BAXTER	
OFFERTORY - "For The Brave"	<i>Anima Christi</i>
CLOSING PRAYER AND BENEDICTION	
RECESSIONAL HYMN 564	<i>Lyons</i>

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USHERS: John G. Mitchell, Chairman; Duke Jones, Dr. Burns Jones, Gordon W. Poindexter, Arthur Williams.

*The following historical account
is from the notes of
Charles A. Tucker,
Historiographer of Emmanuel Church*

HISTORY OF EMMANUEL CHURCH DURING THE CIVIL WAR

RECTOR: Dr. William D. Hodges

VESTRY: John White, *First Warden*; T. A. Montgomery, *Second Warden*; Dr. H. S. Plummer, Joseph Batchelor, Dr. T. E. Wilson, William Eaton, Jr., Dr. George Feild, Dr. T. S. Brownlow, S. P. Arrington, John T. Williams, Kemp Plummer, Jr., H. G. Goodloe, Peter R. Davis

HOLY WEEK OF 1861 was a week of prayer and preparation mixed with great anxiety for war was imminent. Six states to the south had seceded and formed the Confederate States of America. Preparation was being made for war if it must come, but North Carolina had not as yet seceded and was still seeking adjustment of "all the difficulties that distract the country". Fort Sumter was fired upon April 12th. The war which resulted, instead of dividing the North and South, has, in spite of the long period of bitterness, made us the greatest and the most powerful nation the world has ever seen. The Blue and the Gray are going to march again in commemoration of the greatest centennial in American history.

The Civil War was the American People's great test and therefore worth commemorating. The church event of today is the commemoration of the sunrise service on April 20, 1861, held in Emmanuel Church for the two companies, the Warren Guards and the Warren Rifles, who left immediately to enter active service in the North Carolina Militia.

Dr. William Hodges of Halifax County, Virginia, became the rector of this church in 1858. Mrs. Montgomery in Sketches of Old Warrenton says, "Dr. Hodges possessed a quiet dignity. He was scholarly, cultured, and had the gift of leadership which was sorely needed during the four years of war and during the reconstruction period which followed. In their rector, the people found great comfort and sympathy in these trying days."

There was no selective draft in those days, but it was not long before every able-bodied man under forty-five was at the front. Dr. Thomas Palmer Jerman of Ridgeway wrote to his uncle, John Palmer, in South Carolina on April 18th., "Tomorrow we form a company, or at least commence enlisting men for a company. I am pledged to put my name on the list. However many may be the ties binding me to home and whatever excuse I might bring forward in view of the number dependent on me, yet my duty to my country must not be evaded. Into the hands of Providence I put myself and with Providence I leave the issue."

Mr. Walter Montgomery wrote Dr. T. J. Taylor, "There was a service of prayer and song in Emmanuel Church on Saturday morning, a little after sunrise, the 20th of April, 1861, intended especially for the two companies. After the service they marched away to take the train awaiting them at Warren Plains. I was present at the presentation of both flags and also at the church service."

In a short while Warrenton was left to the boys and old men. Nine of Mr. Henry Thompson's class in the old academy answered the call for the 'Junior's'. They went to Raleigh and, with others of their age from Warren and the adjoining counties, formed the 'Juniors'. Charles J. Price was made Captain and Alexander London was elected First Lieutenant.

Warrenton became a training ground. It did not take long to get a regiment ready to leave for service. In about six weeks they were clothed, equipped, drilled and gone. Others took their places. Three regiments were mobilized at the old race track near the old cemetery.

The needs of the army had become a compelling issue to the people of the church. At the vestry meeting on April 28, 1862, the bell was tendered to the State, and the other

churches were conferred with relative to the same subject. A special meeting of the vestry was called on November 24, 1862, to offer the carpets of the church to the soldiers for bedding. A month later a letter from the rector was read. This letter informed the vestry that he had obtained, in place of the carpets which the church had donated at its last meeting to the army in the field, an equivalent in blankets which he supposed would be more acceptable to the soldiers. He asked the privilege of submitting the blankets and retaining the carpets for use in the church.

The object of the meeting on August 8, 1864, was to take action in regard to the call made by the Bishop of the Diocese upon the Rector, Rev. William D. Hodges, for his services as temporary chaplain in the army of Northern Virginia. This call was an outgrowth of a rule made by the council of the Diocese at its last session. The vestry gave due consideration to this request but felt that it was very important that the regular services of the church not be suspended for such a long period of time because there was so large a congregation in attendance. However, the vestry left this matter to the discretion of the Rector.

John White, at the age of sixteen, came from Scotland to Warrenton to join his brother, Thomas, in business. Mr. White was a vestryman of Emmanuel Church. During the war he was sent by the State of North Carolina as commissioner to England to purchase clothing and supplies for the North Carolina soldiers. It was on the ship, ADVANCE, mastered by Captain Thomas Crossan of Warrenton, that Mr. White ran the blockade from Wilmington to Liverpool. North Carolina was the only state to engage in blockade running. Through Mr. White's efforts and good judgment, the North Carolina soldiers were better supplied with clothing and medicine, especially quinine, than any other soldiers in the Confederate Army.

Mr. Alexander Hunter in his book, "Johnny Reb and Billy Yank," writes, "A day's ride from Brunswick County, Virginia, through the solemn, still pine woods brought me to Warrenton, North Carolina, a place of considerable local importance. There were tidings of disaster here. It was known that Richmond and Petersburg had been safely evacuated and that Lee was making his way southward.

"It chanced to be a Sunday, a beautiful bright day. I strolled around to the Episcopal Church and climbed the gallery stairs, and from a snug corner took notes of the surroundings.

"There were several aged gentlemen, not one of whom walked without a stick; at least a dozen crippled soldiers mostly legless or armless, but I could not see a single able-bodied man in the whole congregation.

"But the most striking, and, withal, the saddest feature of the congregation was the number of women in black. Out of forty-seven present, thirty-eight were clad in the deepest mourning. What grief stricken hearts and streaming eyes must those crepe veils have covered, and with what pathetic fervor must those trembling lips have repeated that portion of the litany, 'From battle, murder and sudden death, good Lord, deliver us.' Even the chimes of the bell, floating over the sequestered village, must have sounded in many ears like a requiem.

'Toll for the brave,
the brave that are no more' "

EMMANUEL EPISCOPAL CHURCH

THE RIGHT REV. ARTHUR LICHTENBERGER, D. D., *Presiding Bishop*

THE RIGHT REV. RICHARD HENRY BAKER, D. D., *Bishop*

THE RIGHT REV. THOMAS A. FRASER, D. D., *Bishop Coadjutor*

STAFF

Rector: THE REV. EDWARD LAURENCE BAXTER

Junior Choir: MRS. J. BOYD DAVIS, *Director*

Organist: MRS. DOROTHY MASSEY

Assistant Organist: MRS. JOHN G. WILLIAMS

Senior Warden: JOHN G. MITCHELL

Junior Warden: CLARENCE P. GASTON

Treasurer: LAURIE B. BEDDOE

Secretary: J. SHIPP MCCARROLL

Historiographer: CHARLES A. TUCKER

Church School Superintendent: ARTHUR J. WILLIAMS

CHURCH ORGANIZATIONS

Acolytes Guild: MRS. BARKER WILLIAMS, *Chairman*

Altar Guild: MRS. B. B. WILLIAMS, *Chairman*

Episcopal Church Women: MRS. J. E. CHEVES, *Chairman*

Emmanuel Chapter: MRS. JOHN G. MITCHELL, *Chairman*

St. Mary's Chapter: MRS. LULA MCCRAW GAY, *Chairman*

Episcopal Young Churchmen: MISS ELIZABETH BAXTER, *President*

VESTRY: William Boyce, Alban C. Fair, Clarence P. Gaston, Dr. Burns Jones, J. Shipp McCarroll, John G. Mitchell, Whitmel S. Peoples, Gordon W. Poindexter, Peter G. Seaman.

CHURCH SCHOOL TEACHERS: Miss Elizabeth Baxter, Mrs. E. L. Baxter, Mrs. James Beckwith, Mrs. J. Boyd Davis, Dr. Burns Jones, Mrs. W. W. Taylor, Jr., Mrs. Barker Williams.

ACOLYTES: James P. Beckwith, Jr., James E. Cheves, Jr., John Boyd Davis, III, Perry Gaston, III, Edmund Holt, Lee Holt, Thomas M. Holt, William D. Jones, Jr., William Taylor, III, William Twitty, Richard Williams.

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